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Minstead – Day Visits

Dear Parents,

We are sad to announce that in line with the current guidance, we have had to cancel our residential trip to Minstead Study Centre. All is not lost, however, as we are excited to announce that instead, the children have a fantastic opportunity to visit Minstead for day visits.

We have been lucky to secure this amazing trip for May 2021 where the children will attend on two consecutive days as follows:

Kite Class: 24th and 25th May

Owl Class: 26th and 27th May

This trip not only links directly to the learning that the children will be undertaking in class for their Geography topic where they will compare the New Forest to Eastleigh but will be a great opportunity for them to develop their teamwork skills and become more responsible and independent.

During their visit, the children will get the opportunity to learn and discover about the following:

- Rivers, landscape and the water cycle. Children explore the water cycle, investigate river geography in nearby streams and explore aquatic life.
- Nature connection. A range of mindful activities using all the senses, enabling children to explore and connect with the natural world.
- Ancient History. Investigate how ancient people might use the landscape, make miniature roundhouses, colour wool using natural dyes and use fire!
- Marvellous maps. Learn to use simple maps, and complete Orienteering exercises around the 5 acre grounds. Make maps using natural and found materials and investigate 'other' maps.
- Habitats. Explore life in and around a variety of local habitats - heath, woodland, meadow and stream. Investigate food chains, life cycles and adaptation.
- Environmental Art. Make clay models, natural frames, land art, giant group art and explore the world from different viewpoints. National Park explorers.
- Hike into the wild open spaces of the New Forest. Learn about the unique landscape, history and wildlife, and make miniature National Parks.

- Meet the animals. Visit our sheep and chickens and learn about animal welfare, farming products and processes, and how these creatures are adapted to their environments
- Minstead Study Centre is based around seven values linked to the environment and planet earth. Activities are based around these core values and children will earn beads as they find out about different animals.

A detailed list of appropriate clothing and footwear along with any additional information will be provided nearer the time.

We will be travelling by coach and aim to leave school by 9.15am and will return to school in time for the end of the day. Children will need a packed lunch, including a non-fizzy drink. Children who are entitled to a free school meal will be provided with a packed lunch from school however this must be ordered when you complete your [Google form](#).

This trip is being subsidised by the school, however, we are asking for a contribution of £30 per child. We have broken this down into 6 manageable payments as detailed in the payment plan below or your contribution can be paid in one single payment by the 2nd April 2021.

Incremental Amount Due	Total Amount To Date	To reach us no later than
£5	£5	19 March 2021
£5	£10	26 March 2021
£5	£15	02 April 2021
£5	£20	30 April 2021
£5	£25	07 May 2021
£5	£30	14 May 2021
Single payment of	£30	02 April 2021

You can make payments and view your current balance by logging on to your [Scopay](#) account. If you are not already registered for Scopay, please click [here](#) to request an online access code which will be emailed directly to you.

To ensure we have the correct details for your child, please complete the google form which you can find here <https://forms.gle/8VT9aVwpmGEmYj7>.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Croune & Mr Thomas Bond